

The Saks Store

Penn. Ave. and Seventh Street.

Bargain Friday.

Only the more important specials are pointed out—but every counter is filled with its week's remnants. It's clearing-up day, and prices are shivered to make sure work of it.

Ladies' Suits.

(Second Floor East.)

All wool Grey, Blue, and Brown homespun in collared, double-breasted and single-breasted effects; some lined all through with silk and worth up to \$35.00, for choice at

\$7.45.

Ladies' Jackets.

(Second Floor East.)

Small lot of all-wool Eton Jackets, light weight, made in latest style and fashionably tailored; a grouping of values up to \$35.00 for

\$3.95.

Ladies' Waists.

(Second Floor East.)

Broken lot of Silk Waists, in the same quality that has been selling at \$5; both white and colors. Choice,

\$2.95.

Ladies' Petticoats.

(First Floor West.)

Lot of Machine-made Silk Petticoats that are slightly soiled or faded, but they are not materially injured. Reduced from \$5 to

98c.

Ladies' Gloves.

(First Floor West.)

Lot of 10 dozen White 2-clasp Kid gloves, with White or Black elastic; and nearly full assortment of sizes. To close them out—

55c.

Dainty Laces.

(First Floor West.)

Lot of Point de Paris Laces and Insertings—odds and ends of recent big purchases, or some soiled by being on show—the values

4c.

Embroideries.

(First Floor West.)

12-inch Skirt Flouncings, 3c and 4c; grades for 10c—Remnants of Lace Insertings and Tucked All-overs, worth 21c for 50c a yard—Remnants of Edges and Insertings—worth 10c

4c.

Handsome Silks.

(Second Floor West.)

Remnants of Foulard Silks and Fancy Striped Taffetas, in light, medium, and dark colors, most popular sellers up to 75c a yard, 1 to 5 yard lengths.

29c.

Linings.

(First Floor West.)

Twilled Silks, Mousseline Percale, and Canvas Dress Stiffening, 1 to 10 yard remnants. Black, White, and Colors. Worth 10c to 15c a yard.

4c.

Men's Underwear.

(First Floor East.)

All the broken odds of men's light weight 5c Shirts and Drawers, the best quality sold at the price, too. Of course sizes are not complete.

25c.

Boys' Suits.

(Fourth Floor West.)

Boys' Double Breasted and Novelty Shirt Pants Cheviot Suits, extra pair of Pants with each suit, extra sizes, 3 to 15 years. Regular \$3 Suits, for

\$1.85.

Boys' Pants.

(Fourth Floor West.)

Boys' \$1.75 Blue Suits, sizes 9, 10, and 11 years, for 55c. Boys' All-wool Cheviot Knicker Suits, sizes 4 to 15 years—reduced from 85c to

39c.

Dinner Sets.

(Fifth Floor West.)

2 American Porcelain Dinner Sets, a few unimportant pieces of sets are broken; handsomely decorated in flowers and gold. Regular price \$12—

\$6.95.

Screen Doors.

(Fifth Floor West.)

Odds and Ends of Screen Doors, different sizes that are slightly imperfect—3c. Willow Clothes Hangers slightly imperfect—

39c.

Window Screens.

(Fifth Floor West.)

Window Screens, light, oak, and walnut stained, slightly damaged—5c. Ready-made Paint—10c cans—

5c.

Window Shades.

(Fourth Floor East.)

Hand-made Opaque Window Shades; 28 inches wide and 2 yards long; slightly soiled, reduced from 50c to

19c.

Brass-trimmed Beds.

(Fourth Floor East.)

White Enamel Bed, brass-trimmed, with cotton-top mattress and springs. Complete, worth \$50.00, for \$25.00. Cocoa Door Mats, reduced from 50c to

39c.

SAW THE WOMAN ESCAPING

Additional Witnesses in the Kenmore Hotel Tragedy.

Ayers' Father Comes From Michigan to Take Charge of the Remains. The Police Think They Will Soon Be in a Position to Make Arrests.

Arrests in the Kenmore Hotel murder case may be made this afternoon or tonight. The detective has learned that several persons, other than those whose statements were quoted yesterday, claim to have seen a woman descend the fire escape from the room of James S. Ayers, Jr., the young man shot to death in the hotel early yesterday morning.

Coroner Nevitt reasserts his opinion that Ayers' wounds could not have been self-inflicted, and a careful examination of them discloses the fact that the man was probably in a reclining position at the time they were inflicted.

James Seymour Ayers, the father of the dead man, arrived in the city this afternoon, and will take charge of the remains of his son tomorrow morning, after the Coroner's jury has been sworn. It is the purpose of Coroner Nevitt to hold the inquest tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock at the New Jersey Avenue police station, but if the developments in the inquest are such that he will probably postpone the inquest after securing the jurors.

From the statement of one of the firemen at the truck house opposite the Hotel Kenmore, it appears that someone may have escaped from the building shortly after the shooting, as he heard what he believes were footsteps of a person running. Dr. Edward M. Schaffer, one of the best-known experts in medical jurisprudence in the country, has been engaged to make a microscopic and minute examination of the supposed blood marks about the building, and in several places wall paper that was torn down in the smoke and fire, and has been cut out to be used as evidence.

The Government officials, from the Police Department to those in the office of the District Attorney, are exerting every effort to fathom the mystery and their reports are most encouraging. Photographs of all the important blood marks and every point of interest have been taken and will be preserved for future reference.

Yesterday evening an eighteen-year-old girl, whose name is said to be Agnes Marcey, of 39 New York Avenue northeast, called at the home of Coroner Nevitt and said that she was extremely desirous of seeing the body.

She was positive, she declared, that Ayers had not committed suicide, as he had been quite intimate with her and he had confided in her in regard to many of his affairs. Miss Marcey said Ayers had told her that since his mother's death his home had not been a pleasant one, particularly since his father's second marriage. She said she saw Ayers Saturday before last and wanted him to promise that he would take her to dance last Saturday, but he replied that he feared that he might be drinking and refused to make an engagement.

Miss Marcey says she first met Ayers in March at the dancing school of Allen D. C. Mueller, on Fourteenth Street near P Street. He had talked to her of nearly all of his affairs, she said, and had assured her that he drank and was not a good boy. He never spoken of any acquaintances at the hotel, the girl declares.

William Wolf, fourteen years old, who sleeps in a second-story room at 22 North Capitol Street, told the detective this morning that he had seen a woman descend the fire-escape. He was awakened by the pistol shots, and jumping out of bed, went to the window where a few minutes later he saw the form of a woman descend the fire-escape. He saw her enter a room on the fourth floor of the Kenmore Hotel and descend the fire-escape to the balcony on the first floor, where she entered the second window from the north end of the building. This window leads into the public parlor of the hotel, which is rarely occupied at this time of the night, and from which access can readily be had to all parts of the house without attracting attention.

The story of the boy is confirmed by other occupants of the house, to whom he told of what he had seen before any word had reached the house as to the finding of the body. Several minutes after that the boy spoke of the matter to them some time before anything was heard of the finding of the body or of the commotion at the hotel.

Earl Ryan, a fireman, who was on duty at the fire truck house opposite the hotel from 12:30 to 2:30 o'clock on the night of the murder, heard two shots quite distinctly, he says, although the doors of the house were closed. He at first thought that the reports were those of torpedoes probably placed on the railroad tracks of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad just below the hotel. Under the regulation governing the fire department Mr. Ryan was not permitted to leave his post, but he did so to get a closer view of the scene. He thought that the reports were those of torpedoes probably placed on the railroad tracks of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad just below the hotel. Under the regulation governing the fire department Mr. Ryan was not permitted to leave his post, but he did so to get a closer view of the scene.

Mrs. Taylor, who recently came from Chicago with her daughter, occupies the second floor front room of 24 North Capitol Street. Tuesday night she was unable to sleep and getting out of bed sat by the front window and read for some time. She says she heard the sound of voices followed by three pistol shots. She is also said to have seen the woman going down the fire-escape. Mrs. Taylor was out sleeping this afternoon, and it was impossible to verify this statement.

It is believed by the police that the pistol with which the deed was committed was the property of the dead man. Several persons have testified to having seen him with such a weapon. Mr. Ayers was never known to carry a revolver, however, and why he should have left it on the table when he had finished packing all of his effects preparatory to leaving the house the following day is one of the unsolved mysteries. All of his belongings were packed in his suitcase, which was tightly strapped, and in his trunk, which was locked and the key in his trousers pocket.

A BIG REALTY TRANSACTION.

Woodward & Lothrop Buy Property at Tenth and G Streets.

A deed was put on record today by St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum, conveying to S. Woodward and Alvin M. Lothrop, the property at the southwest corner of Tenth and G Streets, northward of the railroad. The consideration named is \$450,000, and the deed is signed by the Rev. Denis J. Stafford, Dominic L. Murphy, John S. Larcombe, Edward F. Riggs, and William Galt, trustees for St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum.

Death of A. Longstaff Johnston. RICHMOND, Va., May 16.—A. Longstaff Johnston, a distinguished civil engineer, the inventor of the Johnston bond, one of the most generally used devices in the construction of electric railways, died here yesterday morning. He superintended the building of the first electric street railway in the world. Mr. Johnston is survived by his widow, who was Miss Louie Greenhow, daughter of the late Samuel Greenhow, of this city, and four children, Mrs. Mary Greenhow, Mrs. Lillian Johnston, Lullie Greenhow Johnston, A. Longstaff Johnston, Jr., and Samuel Greenhow Johnston.

Try the Century, latest waltz, Droop's

LOCAL MERCHANTS' EXPAND.

Saks & Co. to Conduct a Great Department Store in the Metropolitan.

NEW YORK, May 16.—Saks & Co., of Washington, have secured the property included in the block between Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth Streets on Broadway. It is understood that they will erect a large store on this ground next year.

The above dispatch was this morning confirmed by Isidore Saks, of the firm of Saks & Co. This firm will erect a seven-story building, modern in every respect, and the mercantile establishment will take the place of the present one, which concerns in its line in New York city. The invasion of Gotham by Saks & Co. marks an epoch in the brilliant commercial career of that house, which was founded in Washington thirty-six years ago.

Isidore Saks speaking of the matter this morning said:

"We propose to have the largest and best store of its kind in America. The entire front of the block, between 33rd and 34th Streets, on Broadway, between Thirty-third and Thirty-fourth Streets, will be covered with a new, up-to-date business building. We shall incorporate under the firm name of Saks & Co., in which my brother and I together with our associates contribute all the funds. We have had this location in view for many years."

"The actual dimensions of the property we have secured are 22 feet on Broadway, 122 feet on Thirty-third Street, and 100 feet on Thirty-fourth Street. We will erect a seven-story structure with a sub-basement. The building will be constructed of steel and stone. The buildings now occupying the property will be torn down. Work will begin in January, 1902. After the demolition of the old buildings is completed the work of erection will be rapidly pushed. By September 15, 1902, it is expected that the building will be completed and ready for occupancy, and we will open for business on that date. Macy & Co. have secured property in the adjoining block."

Mr. Saks returned yesterday from New York after having held the negotiations for the acquisition of the property. The announcement of this important step on the part of this Washington firm created general interest in business circles this morning, as yet, no definite plans of enterprise have not been formulated, except in a general way. It is the intention of Saks & Co. to make their New York store one of the most complete in the country. The property is in one of the best business localities in New York, and this is evidenced by the fact that Macy & Co. have secured the adjoining property and will erect a large building. This step marks the establishment of a new enterprise, and a new chapter in the history of the firm, which will be the attraction of the best class of patronage afforded by the city.

Arrangements will soon be completed with the architects and designers and plans for the new building will be ready before long. The preparations for the erection of the structure, which will be a beautiful specimen of architecture, are now being considered. Many valuable points gained in the time Saks & Co. have been busily engaged in the construction of the new building, which will be a model of facility for business and comfort for patrons and employees.

The fact that Saks & Co. have established themselves in New York is by no means an indication that the Washington house will be abandoned. On the contrary is the case. The New York branch will be conducted under the direct management of Isidore Saks, his brother, and their associates. The Washington enterprise will continue to occupy its high position in the business world, and the new house will be to greatly broaden and increase its scope. The Saks store will increase their business, and the Washington store will be the parent establishment of a number which have been established in other cities. Under the firm name of Saks & Co. there are large and flourishing mercantile establishments in Indianapolis, Ind., and Norfolk, Va. In addition to these there is a large office building and a manufacturing plant in New York city. The Washington store has been a success for many years and is one of the landmarks of the commercial history of the Capital. The new store in other cities is as prominent in their respective localities.

ORDERS FOR PUBLIC WORK.

Money for Extending the High Service Water System.

The following orders were issued today by the authority of the Commissioners from the Engineer Department:

That the sum of \$25,000 be taken from the water fund and used for continuing the extension of the light service system of water distribution.

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ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Mrs. Fleming, Regent of the Army and Navy Chapter, D. A. R.

The Army and Navy Chapter, Daughters of the Revolution, held a ladies' meeting at the Ebbitt House Monday afternoon, and elected officers for the coming year. The annual reports showed that the chapter is in a flourishing condition.

Mrs. Robert I. Fleming was elected regent; Mrs. David Smith vice regent; Mrs. George W. Baird, recording secretary; Mrs. William C. Borden, corresponding secretary; Miss Kate M. Bradley, treasurer; Miss Mary A. Townsend, registrar; Mrs. Herschel Main, historian, and Mrs. George M. Sternberg, Mrs. Fred G. McKean, Miss Josephine C. Webster, Miss Josephine M. Starnes, chosen members of the board of management.

WHISKY CAUSES DEATH.

A Four-Year-Old Child Succumbs to Alcoholic Coma.

Elsie Carter, the four-year-old colored child taken to the Freedman's Hospital last Tuesday, suffering from alcoholic coma, died this morning at 12:45 o'clock. She had been temporarily left alone in a room in the home of her parents, a Brightwood Avenue northwest, and managed to secure a half-pint flask filled with whisky from a bureau where it had been left for medicinal purposes. The child drank the entire contents of the bottle. When her mother returned the child's condition was critical. Every remedy known to the family doctor, and her neighbors was resorted to, but without effect. The child was taken to the Freedman's Hospital, where she died this morning.

A New Legal Partnership.

CHICAGO, May 16.—Governor Altgeld, and State Senators Darrow and Villiam Thompson, have formed a partnership for the practice of law in Chicago.

Harmless and effective are Royal Headache Tablets in the cure of all forms of Headache.

AFFAIRS OF THE DISTRICT.

Several Citizens Request a Cancellation of Taxes on Property.

Two Cases That Come Within the Act of 1892, and One Affected by the Doctrine of the Innocent Purchaser—Work Upon the Streets.

Catherine P. Carter, of 712 B Street southwest, has requested the cancellation of the tax due for 1899 against sublot 352, square 674. It is claimed by the applicant that her case comes under the law of 1892 and should be cancelled. H. H. Darnelle, the Assessor, in reporting upon the matter to the Commissioners says:

"The records show that certificate No. 21, dated May 28, 1895, was issued to M. C. Darnelle on sublot 352, square 674, wherein the second half tax for 1899, then assessed to Joseph Paul, in the amount of \$1.12, was omitted."

"This property was conveyed to Catherine P. Carter by deed, dated June 3, 1895, recorded June 8, 1895, and as sworn to in the accompanying petition, on the faith of the certificate of May 28, 1895."

"This matter comes within the provisions of the act of May 13, 1892, and is therefore recommended that the collection and recovery of the second half tax for 1899, in amount of \$1.12, against sublot 352, square 674, be referred to any purchaser subsequent to issue of certificate, dated May 28, 1895, and so noted on the records of this office."

The Commissioners, it is thought, will approve the report and will inform the applicant accordingly.

William McGrath, of 15 K Street northwest, has petitioned the Commissioners for the cancellation of the balance of tax against part of lot 2, square 621, assessed in the name of John F. Reardon. The Assessor, in reporting upon the matter, has submitted the following:

"Certificate No. 51,771 was issued December 21, 1900, on the twenty-sixth next sixteen feet on K Street of lot 2, square 621, to F. A. Harrison, which omitted a balance tax for 1891 in amount of \$1.50. By reference to the records it is found that at the time this certificate was issued the balance was charged on the west sixteen feet, and the description on the card was changed January 4, 1901, from the west sixteen feet to the twenty feet next west sixteen feet, which exonerates the taxpayer."

"The property in question being the twenty feet next west sixteen feet on K Street of lot 2, square 621, was transferred by deed dated January 2, 1901, to William McGrath, who presents affidavit that he purchased on the faith of the certificate referred to."

"This case comes within the provisions of the act of May 13, 1892, relating to tax sales and taxes, and is therefore recommended that the collection and recovery of the balance tax for 1891 of \$1.50 be referred to any purchaser subsequent to issue of certificate dated December 21, 1900, and so noted on the records of this office."

It is very likely that the report will be approved and the petitioner informed in accordance therewith.

Messrs. Meyers and Anderson have filed a petition with the Commissioners for the cancellation of the second half tax for the year 1892 against sublots 56 to 61 of the original lots 10 and 11, block 45, of Holmead Manor. H. H. Darnelle has submitted the following statement to the Commissioners relative to the matter:

"Certificate No. 29,788 issued December 23, 1898, on the property above described to the District Title Insurance Company omits the second half tax for year 1892 in amount of \$5.45. At the date of issue of this certificate the tax of \$5.45 on original lots 10 and 11, block 45, Holmead Manor, was charged against sublots 31 to 34, no charge appearing on the arrears book against sublots 24 and 25, which was a part of original lots 10 and 11, and as a consequence the tax was overlooked."

"Conveyance was made to Louis H. Meyer and wife, with double knee, split heel and toes; both large and small ribbed—very strong and serviceable. Regular size cost for \$25.00; we offer for \$20.00."

"The doctrine of innocent purchaser does not apply in this case, but in view of the fact that the tax against the wrong property, it is recommended that payment be received on tender of the principal of the tax."

The Commissioners undoubtedly will approve the report, and the applicants will be informed accordingly.

Commissioner Macfarland, who has supervision over the markets of the District, has been together with facts bearing upon the application made by the Columbia Market Company for permission to erect stores for market purposes on Fourteenth Street. The Times this morning published the opinion of the Attorney of the District upon certain questions raised between the applicant and property owners protesting against the location of the market as proposed. Sentiment generally was favorable to the market people and virtually ruled out of consideration the protest of those considering the back of the market on V Street.

This, it is claimed, simplifies the question, as it confines the matter to the propertyholders interested on Fourteenth Street. It is set forth in a report handed to the Commissioners today by H. H. Darnelle, the Assessor, that a majority of the propertyholders on Fourteenth Street have given their consent in writing for the establishment of the market.

It appears that the total amount of property coming under the terms of the regulations of the Building Department is 25,062 square feet. Among the original signers were holders of property aggregating 21,000 square feet, but since the controversy began W. S. Darnelle has withdrawn his signature, the validity of which was called in question, and that leaves the signatures of property owners representing 19,200 square feet of the land in favor of establishing the market. This is a majority of the holdings, and according to the opinion of the Attorney, the Commissioners are empowered to permit.

Commissioner Beach, being absent from the city for a few days, the matter will not be decided until his return, but it is intimated that the Board now has a way to grant the permit.

At 4:30 o'clock this afternoon the citizens of Congress Heights will present a flag to the members of Truck Company F at the new truck house on Whitney Avenue. It is expected that Judge Bundy will make the presentation address, and that Commissioner Macfarland will respond in behalf of the company and the Fire Department.

Chief Engineer Dutton and First Assistant Chief Engineer Belt are expected to be present to participate in the exercises.

Upon the recommendation of the Assessor of the District the Commissioners have granted authority to the Union Assurance Company, of London, England, and the State Fireman's Insurance Company, of Liverpool, England, to do business in the District of Columbia.

The receipts of the Government today, according to the Treasury statement, reached the sum of \$2,169,000.75, and consisted of customs, \$87,735.80; internal revenue, \$1,177,360.61; miscellaneous, \$416,574.34. The expenses amounted to \$1,755,000, leaving a balance of receipts over disbursements amounting to \$413,970.75.

Commissioner Evans Goes Home. H. J. Evans, Commissioner of Penitentiaries, has left the city for brief visit to Chattanooga. His trip will last for about a fortnight, and is in the nature of a vacation, as no other business than personal affairs will engage his attention during his absence.

All Hats Trimmed Free of Charge.

King's Palace Department Stores,
810-812-814 Seventh Street and 715 Market Space.

Premium Stamp With Every Purchase.

Sale of the stocks of Martin J. Myers & Co., and the usual Friday Green Ticket Specials

—in conjunction with the special purchase of women's muslin underwear makes the selling at both stores tomorrow the most important of the season.

No offering since the last purchase from Myers & Co. equals this in bargain-giving, for more than twenty thousand dollars' worth of merchandise and wearables—millinery, ready-to-wear garments, furnishings, and dry goods—are offered at fractions of former prices, which means most startling and most sensational selling.

As we stated yesterday, Martin J. Myers & Co., who occupy an immense establishment at 696, 698, 700, and 702 Broadway, are the clearing house for hundreds of makers and factories for whom they act as selling agents. Twice a year they close out their surplus, and twice a year we get them, because we are Myers' best customers. The offerings told of below give you a fair idea of the lowness of the prices. Our word for it, that there is not a single penny's worth of undesirable merchandise in the lot.

COTTON
Underwear carnival.
You'll welcome this offering, which comes two weeks ahead of time and particularly because it offers you opportunity to buy your underwear at extraordinarily low prices.

Exceptional bargains.
Shirt waists, 29c.
One hundred dozen Women's Percale Waists, trimmed with straw bows of tucks down the fronts—with the new sleeves and collars—and in the most desirable patterns, including handsome stripes and checks—in great assortment—the same waist you see about town at 50c, for 25c.

Corset covers, 15c.
Just 50 dozen Cambric Corset Covers in this lot; all are of very fine grade cambric. In the assortment are shown both high and low necks; some with lace and embroidery trimmed; some whole fronts trimmed with lace insertings; some with embroidery fronts, with some with lace insertings; others with point de Paris lace trimmings; all are excellent values. These covers are slightly soiled, all are regular 25c and 50c values. Special Carnival Price 15c.

\$1.25 skirts, 59c.
A lot of 100 dozen Cambric and Muslin Skirts that sell regularly for \$1.25 and 25c and are excellent values; some of which will be sold for 59c—an exceptional offering. The lot embraces skirts with wide lace insertings, others with two rows of lace insertings in 10-inch lawn flounce, finished with wide lace; another with hemstitching in flounce, finished with lace at bottom—all have dust ruffles of extra width.

69c gowns, 39c.
A great assortment of Ladies' Muslin Gowns, embracing 10 different styles; some with hemstitched yokes, finished with wide lace insertings; some with style, with front of embroidery and lace trimmed lapels; others with rows of inserting between laces; others that are excellent values at 50c and 60c—fact that they can not be duplicated for less. Special 39c.

50c gowns, 25c.
In this lot we have 100 dozen Ladies' Muslin Gowns, good quality; some of five tucks; ruffle trimmed; all full length. Think of it, all positively 50c values, to go for just half price.